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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

M. R. EDWARD ALBERT SASSOON and Mr. AARON MOSSES GURBY have been admitted PARTNERS in our Firms in INDIA, CHINA and ENGLAND, from this date.

DAVID SASSOON & Co.  
Bombay, January 1, 1881. feb

### NOTICE.

M. R. ERNST LUDWIG REUTER has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

PUSTAU & Co.  
Hongkong and Canton, February 1, 1881. mrl

### NOTICE.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP OF SHARP AND DANBY having been DISSOLVED by mutual consent, it is requested that all Sums Due and all Claims be sent in to Mr. Sharp for Liquidation of the firm before the 28th day of FEBRUARY instant.

Mr. SHARP will carry on the business of Architect, Surveyor, and Civil Engineer, under the over-riding name of

KELLY & WALSH, Macao, Messrs. A. de MELLO & Co., Seaview, CAMPBELL & Co., Amby, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HENRY & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Manila.

CHINA—Macao, Messrs. A. de MELLO & Co., Seaview, CAMPBELL & Co., Amby, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HENRY & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Singapore, Singapore, O. HEINZEN & Co., Manila.

PARIS AND EUROPE—LEON DE ROSY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally—BRAN & BLAKE, San Francisco.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID UP CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND.....\$1,600,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—The Hon. W. KESWICK.

Deputy Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.

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MANAGER.

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LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

.....6 " 4 per cent. "

.....12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 16, 1880.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMpte DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th of 1843, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$3,200,000.

RESERVE FUND.....\$800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BRÉGERE,

PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,

MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,

LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,

NANTES, SHANGAI, FOOCHEW,

MELBOURNE.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and Transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONTE,

Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

POSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.

.....6 " 4%

.....12 " 5%

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,

Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,

Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Original Scrip Certificate No. 2003 for Shares numbered 242, 311, and 660 in the name of RICHARD SOLOMON, having been LOST, the said Original Scrip Certificate has been CANCELLED and a Duplicate thereof issued to the Holder of the said Shares. No transaction taking place under authority of the said Original Scrip Certificate No. 2003 will hereafter be recognized by the Undersigned.

By Order,

J. BRADLEY SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 21, 1881. feb

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED EX "GLENNEARNS," "GLENNIFFER," &c.

WHITAKER'S ALMANACKS.

NOVELS and PICTURE BOOKS.

CABINET PHOTOGRAPHS.

PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.

MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES.

CIGAR and CIGARETTE HOLDERS.

"AUTOMATON PATENT" UMBRELLAS.

THE LATEST SHAPES IN DRAB and BLACK FELT HATS.

FANCY SCARVES and TIES.

WHITE and COLOURED KID GLOVES.

COLOURED SKIN MATES.

RUG-STRAFS.

COURIER BAGS.

PORTMANTEAUX and VALISES.

DRESSING BAGS and CASES.

TENNIS BATS, PRESSSES and BALLS.

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, February 2, 1881. mar

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE Just RECEIVED WHITAKER'S ALMANACKS for 1881.

REVISED ENGLISH BIBLES.

New Relic Atlas of World.

Humbert's "Manners and Customs of Japanes."

Allen's "Engineer's Guide."

"Drawing and Rough Sketching for Marine Engineers."

Mrs. Pitman's "Heroines of the Mission Field."

Cadell's "New Toy Books."

Board of Trade Instructions to Surveyors of Ships.

Routledge's "History of Science."

Postage Stamp Album.

Pack's "Rare Postage Stamps."

Edkins' "Chinese Buddhism."

Ross's "The Mandarins or the Reigning Dynasties of China."

Hongkong, January 25, 1881.

MESSRS SAYLE & Co.

BEG to inform their Customers and the Public that they intend MOVING their STOCK on or about the 1st of MARCH Next to the temporary PREMISES known as CROSBY'S STORE, adjoining Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and directly opposite to the HONGKONG DISPENSARY, pending the Alteration and Re-building of the "VICTORIA EXCHANGE." Previous to however the change they propose during the next Month "FEBRUARY" to have a GRAND CLEARANCE SALE of Old and slightly Damaged STOCK, comprising—

In the Ladies' Show Room—a large accumulation of REMNANTS in SILKS,

DRESS STUFFS, CALICOES, LACES, RIBBONS, &c., &c.

Also a Quantity of COLLARS, CUFFS, TIES, HOSIERY, GLOVES, SCARVES, &c., &c., which will be offered at Prices considerably under Cost.

In the Tailoring and Gentlemen's Outfitting Department—A large Lot of CLOTHES, HOSIERY, HATS, SCARVES, TIES and BOOTS, will also be offered at considerable Reductions during the Month.

In the Furnishing Department only a Discount of 10% (Ten per cent.) will be given of all GOODS purchased in FEBRUARY.

TERMS: CASH.

SALE TO COMMENCE ON THE 1ST OF FEBRUARY, 1881.

SAYLE & Co.,

VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, January 27, 1881. feb

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on SATURDAY,

the 5th February, 1881, at 2 p.m., at No. 43, Wyndham Street,—

FIRST FLOOR and GROUND FLOOR

of House No. 4, Praya East (known as the Blue House);

in Possession of

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1881. mrl

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE—No. 31,

WELLINGTON STREET.

ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS, suitable for Offices or Chambers.

The DWELLING HOUSE, No. 46,

PEER STREET, below CAINE ROAD; possession from 1st February next.

The BUNGALOW, No. 2, SHELLY STREET.

## For Sale.

WHERE YOU CAN BUY  
—  
Superior California LAMB'S WOOL  
BLANKETS.

SARATOGA TRUNKS.

TRAVELLING BAGS and SATCHELS.

AGATE COOKING UTENSILS.

THE AMERICAN BROILER.

TURNER'S FAMILY SCALES.

TOBACCO SHAVES.

AMERICAN and CHINESE LOCKS.

HOUSE GONGS.

SMOOTHING IRONS.

LEMON-SQUEEZERS.

MOUSE TRAPS.

BILLIARD CUE TIPS and CHALK.

PANUS CORIUM for BOOTS.

American AXES and HATCHETS.

LIFE BUOYS.

ROCKETS and BLUE LIGHTS.

DOUGLAS' OFFICE CHAIRS.

COPPER WIRE GAUZE.

WAFFLE IRONS.

GLIDIRONS.

FIRE GRATES.

American SOFT FELT HATS.

STATIONERY

FOR LADIES AND OFFICE USE,  
the  
Best and Cheapest

in

Hongkong.

NEW BOOKS  
INSTRUCTIVE AND AMUSING.  
A

Large Assortment of

FRENCH NOVELS.

TAUNTON'S

POPULAR EDITION OF STANDARD  
WORKS, &c.

WORKS OF REFERENCE.

ALMANACKS.

DIARIES.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

GLEN'S SCHOOL SERIES,

PRESENTATION BOOKS.

Etc., Etc., Etc.

RIDGE'S CUTLERY.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

WELCH AND SONS' London-made SPORT-  
ING GUNS.

BURNT'S PATENT PNEUMATIC GUN.

SELF-SHOT-EXTRACTING REVOLVERS.

THE PATENT BOTTLE CLIP.

TABLE GLASSWARE.

EARTHENWARE.

THE FINEST STOCK OF

CAVITE.

FORTIN, and

MEYSG

CIGARS, and

CHEROOTS.

All Specially Selected.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN

GROCERIES.

FRESH SUPPLIES RECEIVED BY EVERY

MAIL.

SMYRNA FIGS.

CRYSTALLIZED CHERRIES.

FAIR'S FAVORITE BISCUITS.

STILTON CHEESE.

FRENCH PLUMS.

BEEF.

HUMPS.

ROUNDS.

BRISKETS, and

TONGUES.

CALIFORNIA ROLL BUTTER.

APPLE BUTTER.

CLAM CHOWDER.

FISH CHOWDER.

Soused PIG'S FEET.

Soused SHEEP'S TONGUES.

PICKLED LAMB'S TONGUES.

GRUYERE CHEESE.

NEW YORK CREAM CHEESE.

CAVIARE.

CURRIED OYSTERS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER CO.'S BISCUITS.

CRACKED WHEAT.

HOMINY.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

REICHARDSON AND ROBIN'S POTTED MEATS.

Lunch TONGUE.

PRESENT TEA in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.

WINES and SPIRITS of all Descriptions.

SAIL-MAKING executed on the Premises.

MACLEWIS, PRIKEL &amp; CO.

Hongkong, January 26, 1881.

## Intimations.

THIS HAIR WASH has been prepared by us for the last 20 years. It is steadily increasing in India, the Straits and Japan, and possesses all the qualities of a Hair Oil or Pomade without their stickiness. It induces a healthy action of the scalp and nourishes the Hair. Dandruff never appears whilst it is in use. It contains none but the best ingredients, and the greatest care is taken in the compounding. When the Hair falls off after fever or any other sickness, this Wash will surely prove of the greatest value.



## Entertainment.

V. R.  
GARRISON THEATRE.  
BY KIND PERMISSION  
OF  
Major-General E. W. DONOVAN, Colonel  
L. F. HALL, Major ROOKES, and  
Officers Royal Artillery;

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY  
DRAMATIC CLUB  
will give

A PERFORMANCE  
THIS AND MONDAY  
EVENINGS,

4th and 7th February, 1881,  
FOR THE BENEFIT OF A WIDOW OF THE  
COURTS.

The Performance will commence each  
Evening with the ORIGINAL DRAMA,  
in Three Acts, entitled

"NEXT OF KIN"  
Characters.

Mr. Mountjoy, A. CHAMPION.  
Mr. Grubton, a Lawyer, E. G. REYNOLDS.  
Mr. Facile, a Lawyer, W. LOCKE.  
Timothy Chump, alias  
Theodore Villiers, Esq. J. DADE.  
Sam, a Footman, F. FIELDINGHAM.  
Buttons, a Page, A. J. SEARLE.  
Haifz, a Hindoo, M. TAYLOR.  
Miss Clara Mountjoy, Mrs. G. J. LAURIE.  
Mrs. Chump, a Laundress, J. SMITH.

An Interval of Ten Minutes.

Mrs. BERNARD and Mr. LESLIE  
of the  
AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB  
Have kindly consented to give

"A Scene from the Hunchback"  
AS AN INTERLUDE.

An Interval of Five Minutes.

To conclude each Evening with the ORIGINAL  
and ENTERTAINING FARCE, entitled

"Two Heads are Better than One."  
Mr. Strange, a Short-  
sighted old Gentleman, J. DADE.  
Charles Conquest, in love  
with Ellen, A. CHAMPION.  
Mr. Maxwellton, an old  
Gentleman of fortune, G. J. LAURIE.  
Sammy Maxwellton, his  
Son—an artless youth, E. G. REYNOLDS.  
Ellen Strange, his Niece, Mrs. B. DAVIS.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Reserved Seats, \$2.00.  
Second Seats, \$1.00.  
Third Seats, \$0.50.

Tickets can be obtained at the Officers'  
Mess, Sergeants' Messes, Canteen Sergeants  
R.A. and 27th Inniskillings, all Pay Ser-  
geants, and at the Door on Nights of Per-  
formance.

Doors open at.....8.30 p.m.  
To Commence at.....0.00,,

Punkahs will be kept in motion during  
the Performance.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

Hongkong, February 4, 1881. feb8

## NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland China Mail.  
(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE  
IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely-  
printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from  
the Daily China Mail, is published twice  
monthly on the morning of the  
English Mail's departure, and is a record  
of each fortnight's current history  
of events in China and Japan, contributed  
in original reports and collated from the journals published at the various  
ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai,  
Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete  
Commercial Summary.

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BAIN, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham  
Street, not later than noon of the day the  
English Mail Steamer leaves.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily  
China Mail.

STEAMSHIP "LAOU-TI-KEE".

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF  
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling  
of which is paid up £100,000

Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000

Annual Income £250,000

THE above Steamer having arrived  
from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading  
and to take immediate delivery of their  
Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-  
ing on board after the 6th Inst. will be  
landed and stored at Consignee's risk and  
expense, and no Fire Insurance will be  
affected.

Consignees are hereby informed that any  
Claims must be made immediately, as  
none will be entertained after the 8th  
Instant.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 2, 1881. feb10

THE NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FROM BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SOU-  
RABAYA, MACASSAR, GORONTALO  
AND MANILA.

THE Steamship "ALICE" having arrived  
from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-  
signature, and to take immediate delivery of their  
Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-  
ing on board after the 1st February, will be  
landed and stored at Consignee's risk and  
expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1881.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

S. S. "NAGATA MARU," FROM  
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

HEAD OFFICE—HONG KONG.

GENOSES at all the Treaty Ports  
of China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Sarawak and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

No Charge for Policy Fees.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 21, 1881.

THE INTERNATIONAL MARINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,  
OF LIVERPOOL.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents of the above Company, are  
proposed to grant Policies on MARINE  
RISKS to all parts of the World.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1881. 27/no1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

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KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

HEAD OFFICE—HONG KONG.

GENOSES at all the Treaty Ports  
of China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Sarawak and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
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MITSUI BISHI MAIL S. S. CO.,  
50, Queen's Road Central.

Canton, British steamer, Captain Hum-  
phries—Borneo Coy. Limited.

Procurators: British steamer, Captain An-  
thony. Edward Schalliss & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1881. feb1

NOT Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for  
any Debt contracted by the Officers or<br

## THE CHINA MAIL.

Mr Paul, 6 for Mr Kerfoot and Mr Rist respectively; 5 for Mr Henry, and 4 for Major Bagatelle. Indeed, to judge from the numbers of the entries and the prizes to be run for, a successful meeting seems certain.

We particularly call the attention of our readers to the "Correspondence" column of this issue. In referring to the same it will be seen that the placard was not alone to one individual, but to the entire community, especially as regards the new Recreation Ground, the plan of which, we are informed, has not yet been signed. As our esteemed correspondent justly remarks, amanuensis Consular representation must be made, and we already hear of at least one of the Consular Body who has sent in his prompt veto to the placard.—*Yoochow Herald*, Jan. 27.

Warning of late massacres the Sydney Correspondent of the "Brisbane Courier" says: "The men-of-war are utterly useless for the purpose. They lay most of their time in colonial ports, where their officers can enjoy pleasant society, and only shift when they are in danger of grounding on their beef bones."

We learn from Tasmania of the death of one of the oldest and ablest of colonial politicians, Mr John Dognan Balf, who has been a member of the Parliament of Tasmania ever since the introduction of responsible government into that colony. Mr Balf was intimately associated with the political troubles with Ireland thirteen years ago in connection with Daniel O'Connell, Sir Charles Gavan Duffy, and others. His knowledge of constitutional subjects was equal to that of any politician in Australia, and his contributions to the Press, with which he was intimately connected both in the old country and in the colonies, were always thoughtful and powerfully written.—*Sydney Morning Herald*.

The *Fiji Times* of 24th ultimo reports that a curious accident happened to the Administrator of the Government and Mrs Thurston on the 18th. They were on the verandah of their private residence at Nasava, and both leaned against the railing while looking down on the ornamental grounds in front of the house. From the conformation of the land the verandah floor stands some seven feet above the ground, and suddenly the rail gave way, precipitating both on to the steep descent below. Mrs Thurston sustained a fracture of the arm, and the tendons of the knee-cap were also severely injured. Mrs Thurston escaped with a sprain of the left wrist, and, considering the nature of the fall, it is remarkable that the effects were not more serious.

The *Singleton* (N. S. W.) *Argus* prints the following to reply to an inquiry as to the author of an article in that paper:

"A properly conducted printing office is as much a secret as Masonic lodge. The printers are not under oath of secrecy, but always feel themselves bound in honor bound to keep office secrets, though triple-caught. Any employee in a printing office is willingly disregarded this rule in relation to printing office secrets would not only be scorned by his brethren of the craft, but would lose his position at once. We make this statement because it sometimes happens that a communication appears in a newspaper under an assumed signature which excites comment, and various parties try to find out who is the author. Let us be saved the trouble of questioning the employees of the printing office. They are know-nothings on such points as these. On such matters they have eyes and ears, but no mouth; and if any fail to observe this rule, let them be put down as dishonorable members of the craft. It is the same in job printing. If anything is to be printed and kept secret, let proper notice be given of the desire for secrecy, and you might as well question the Sphinx as one of printers."

A recent Royal warrant refers to the "seconding of officers." Article 135 being revised as follows:— "In the event of an officer being seconded for the purpose of being appointed to the general staff of our army, or the educational staff of our navy, as adjutant to our auxiliary forces, or to an appointment in the colonial auxiliary forces, completing the term of service after which he would, if serving with a regiment or corps, be placed upon half-pay, he shall be struck off the roll of his regiment or corps, but not thereby be disengaged from completing his term of employment in his extra-regimental employment. An officer seconded, who shall be holding an appointment on the general or educational staff of our army, or as adjutant to our auxiliary forces, at the date of his completing the term of service after which he would, if serving with a regiment or corps, be placed upon half-pay, shall, provided he be eligible and be permitted to complete the period of service fixed for his appointment, continue to receive during the remainder of such service the same total pay and allowances as he shall have been in receipt of before such retirement."

The Port Louis correspondent of the *Sydney Morning Herald* writes:—

The Mauritius Blue Book for last year is just out, and I extract from the Governor's despatch to the Secretary of State which accompanied a copy of it the following details in regard to the colony:—The public revenue of the colony was less last year than was expected, owing to the hurricane of 1878, and to a prolonged drought. Crime in the colony increased, as the result of the diminution in the revenue. The value of sugar in 1879 was fortunately high, which, to a certain extent, compensated the planters for the falling off in the production. The yearly expenditure of the colony was met from the ordinary sources of revenue, and there was even a sum of £200,000 received in excess of all expenditure. The effect of the epidemic disease among the cattle was felt throughout the year under review, but owing to the facilities of transport afforded by the existing network of railways, the produce of the island was all brought to Port Louis without serious inconvenience. The public revenue exceeded £700,000, and the aggregate movement of commerce exceeded £60,000.

*Venice* *Post* has a capital story of the latest crime in proposal. A gentleman was in an agony to propose to a lady. After failing in many attempts to secure an opportunity, he met her at a large dinner party, but here again, he seemed likely to be baffled, for she sat on the opposite side of the table. Desperation is the mother of invention. Tearing a leaf from his pocket-book, he wrote on it, "Will you be my wife?" Write yes or no at the foot of this." He then called a servant and folding the note, whispered to the man to take it to the lady in blue opposite. The note was duly delivered, but sank and wall-a-day, ladies don't carry pencils to dinner parties. Here was a lovely opening for female ingenuity. The lady read the note, and then calmly said to the messenger, "Tell the gentleman, I am engaged." The catastrophe was of this usual description.

Date	TO BE HELD SALES	
	PENNY	THREPES.
1st Feb.	4,700	
2nd Feb.	4,700	
3rd Feb.	4,700	
4th Feb.	4,700	
5th Feb.	4,700	
6th Feb.	4,700	
7th Feb.	4,700	
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1st Mar.	4,700	
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## THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 540.] FEBRUARY 4, 1881.

## Mails.



MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOREA.

**T**HE S. S. NIIGATA MARU, Captain J. WALKER, due here or on about the 31st January, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 6th February, at Daylight.

Cargo received on board, and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 4th February.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

## RATES OF PASSAGE.

Cabin Steerage.  
To KOBE, \$60  
,, YOKOHAMA & NAGASAKI, 75 20  
SHANGHAI via YOKOHAMA, 120 40  
KOREA, 95 30

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CARGO PARCELS.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, No. 60A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, January 26, 1881.

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## INSURANCES.

## YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) \$120,000  
PERMANENT RESERVE, \$120,000  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND, \$120,000

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 8th April, 1880, \$120,268

## Directors.

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.  
W. M. BOYD, Esq.  
J. H. PINCKNEY, Esq.  
F. D. HITCH, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI,  
MESSRS RUSSELL & CO., SECRETARIES.

LONDON BRANCH :  
MESSRS BARING BROTHERS & CO., BANKERS.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent, 68 and 69, Cornhill.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all Powers granted on Marine Risks to all

Subject to a Charge of 12% for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the Underwriting BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1880.—10c.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

**T**HE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

**T**HE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

**T**HE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurance as follows:

MARINE Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

FIRE Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

LIFE Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £500 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL, — TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

**T**HE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

## LE CERCLE TRANSPORTS.

SOCIETE ANONYME D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES, MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, 15,000,000 Francs.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, 3,750,000.

**T**HE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1880.—27c.

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE, HONGKONG.

Position of the Company at the close of the last financial year, the 30th April, 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, \$1,000,000.00  
CAPITAL PAID-UP, \$300,000.00

RESERVE FUND, \$425,000.00

BALANCE UNDIVIDED, \$70,278.43

DIVIDEND PAID TO SHAREHOLDERS, 2% per Annum.

Dividends PAID TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS OF BUSINESS, 20% on the amount of their Contributions.

**T**HE Company grants Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, pay this at any of its Agencies.

Contributory Dividends are PAYABLE TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS OF BUSINESS WHETHER THEY ARE SHAREHOLDERS OR NOT.

R. GOLDSMITH, Acting Secretary.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 1, 1881.

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## Intimations.

## THE CHINA REVIEW.

**T**HE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of Notes & Queries on China and Japan, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

THE CHINA REVIEW, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$5.00 postage paid, per annum, payable by remittance in Hongkong, half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish few or unpublished details concerning the subject in hand. It is desirable to make the Query as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The China Review for July and August, 1879, was sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty page, bi-monthly, repertory of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Admire China Review, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of Notes and Queries on China and Japan, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the Catechist Review. The great object of attention has been to avoid of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. E. J. Kite, to which the place of honour in deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-po, by Mr. E. O. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Besides notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be of a useful feature of the Review, if carried out in punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Note" and "Query" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary seal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

For further particulars regarding the FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PRINCIPAL & GENERAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S OFFICE, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are reported to be delivered prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

A. MCIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 25, 1881.

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## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOATS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZERAINA, PORT SAID, NAVALS, AND MARSHELLES.

BOMBAY, MAHAD, CALCUTTA, AND PORT LOUIS.

Also, through the services of the Company's Agents, for the principal ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th February, 1881. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, February 8, 1881.

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U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 18th February, 1881, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 2 p.m., the 17th February. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Frays Central.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 1, 1881.

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## Visitors' Column.

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We have instituted as an experiment a *Viajeros' Column*, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a *SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY*, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

## List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.

City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum,—Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.

The Clock Tower, Queen's Road, Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's throw.

Lusitano Club and Library, Shelley St.

Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Union Church, Elgin Street.